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ABSTRACT:

PURPOSE: To obtain a carboxylic acid chloride in high yield and quality, by the reaction of an organic carboxylic acid (anhydride) with phosgene fed at such a rate as not to detect the unreacted phosgene in the waste gas, to the end point of the reaction.

CONSTITUTION: An organic carboxylic acid (anhydride), e.g. phthalic, tetrahydrophthalic or succinic acid, is reacted with phosgene in the presence of a catalyst, e.g. dimethylformamide, at $50\Box120$ °C, preferably $70\Box90$ °C, to give the corresponding carboxylic acid chloride. Phosgene is fed at such a rate as not to detect the unreacted phosgene essentially in a waste gas, almost to the end point of the reaction.